(b) if no, what action is being considered for the failure of the office of Registrar in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH) : (a) and (b) Registrars of Companies have been instructed by Circular dated 11-12-2002 to prosecute such companies which have not complied with the provisions of Sub-sections (3) and (4) of Section 3 of the Companies Act, 1956. Simultaneously, Government have announced a Simplified Exit Scheme (SES) on 25-3-2003, to enable the defunct companies to exist easily under Section 560 of the Companies Act.

Fees realized by Department of Company Affairs

4109. SHRI S. AGNI RAJ : Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total fees realized by Department of Company Affairs during financial years 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003;

(b) what is the total expenditure incurred during the above periods, year-wise; and

(c) whether the expenditure incurred is commensurate to the services rendered and fees realized ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH) : (a) and (b) Fees etc. realized and expenditure incurred by the Department during the last 3 years are as under :—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Fees realized etc.	Expenditure incurred
2000-01	503.17	36.81
2001-02	305.38	37.48
2002-03	295.91 (upto February, 2003)	31.41 (upto February, 2003)

(c) Yes, Sir.

Corruption in Income Tax Department

4110. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has come to Government's notice that there is rampant corruption in the Income Tax Department for the settlement of refund claims;